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MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
ORDER

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S.R.O. 437.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order, namely:—

1. **Short title, commencement and application.**—(1) This Order may be called the Manipur Foodgrains (Movement) Control Order, 1956.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

(3) It extends to the whole of the State of Manipur.

2. **Definitions.**—In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(1) "foodgrains" means rice, paddy and products thereof and includes Chira, Muri, Khoi, broken rice and every article which is the product of paddy except husk and Bhusi;

(2) "State" means the State of Manipur;

(3) "State Government" means the Chief Commissioner of Manipur.

3. **Restrictions on export and transport of foodgrains.**—(1) No person shall export or attempt to export or abet the export of any foodgrains from any place in the State to any place outside the State except under and in accordance with a permit issued by the State Government or any officer authorised by the State Government in this behalf.

(2) No person shall transport, attempt to transport or abet the transport of any foodgrains into the area of the State lying to the north of the village of Kangpokpi except under and in accordance with a permit issued by the State Government in this behalf:

Provided that nothing contained in sub-clauses (1) and (2) shall apply to the export or transport of foodgrains—

(i) not exceeding five seers in weight in aggregate by a bona-fide traveller as a part of his luggage; or

(ii) on Government account; or

(iii) under and in accordance with Military Credit Notes.

4. **Powers of entry, search, seizure etc.**—Any Police Officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector and any other person authorised in this behalf by the State Government may, with a view to securing compliance with this Order or to satisfying himself that this Order has been complied with—

(1) stop, search or authorise any person to stop and search any person, boat, motor or any vehicle or receptacle used or capable of being used for the transport of foodgrains;

- (2) enter and search or authorise any person to enter and search any place;
- (3) seize or authorise the seizure of any article in respect of which he suspects that a contravention of this Order has been, is being or is about to be committed alongwith the packages, coverings or receptacles in which such article is found or the animals, vehicles, vessels or conveyances used in carrying such articles and thereafter take or authorise the taking of all the measures necessary for securing the production of the packages, coverings, receptacles or animals, vehicles, vessels or conveyances so seized, in a court and for their safe custody pending such production.

5. Repeal.—The Manipur Foodgrains (Movement) Control Order, 1955, issued by the Chief Commissioner of Manipur under notification of the Government of Manipur No. CS/3/55, dated the 31st May, 1955, is hereby repealed, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before the commencement of this Order.

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